

REMARKS

Favorable consideration of the present reissue application in view of the present amendment and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

This 312 Amendment relates to broadening reissue application 10/691,435 filed on October 23, 2003 for U.S. Patent No. 6,307,640.

Claims 1-35 are presently active in the case, with Claims 1-8 previously patented, Claims 9-35 added by the preliminary amendment filed on October 23, 2003, and Claim 23 amended by way of the present amendment.

Claim 23 has been amended to correct a typographical error. Specifically, Claim 23 has been amended to read "wherein said processor" instead of "wherein said a processor" as previously presented in the October 23, 2003 preliminary amendment.

Applicants note that more than one reissue application is pending in relation to U.S. Patent No. 6,307,640. In addition to reissue application number 10/691,435 (the present reissue application), a reissue continuation of Patent No. 6,307,640 was filed on even date herewith. Applicants cannot amend the present specification to refer to this reissue continuation because the reissue continuation has not yet received a serial number. However, Applicants expect that the Patent Office will initiate a Certification of Correction to amend this specification in accordance with M.P.E.P. §1451(I) and (II).

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Accordingly, the above-noted reissue application as amended herein is in condition for allowance. An early and favorable consideration of the present application is hereby respectfully requested.

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